

Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 PARIS 21748 131838Z

42

ACTION EA-14

INFO OCT-01 EUR-25 ISO-00 IO-14 SSO-00 NSCE-00 INRE-00

OMB-01 ACDA-19 PM-07 NSC-07 SP-03 SS-20 RSC-01

CIAE-00 INR-11 NSAE-00 DODE-00 PRS-01 SAM-01 DRC-01

(ISO) W

----- 007281

O P 131811Z SEP 74

FM AMEMBASSY PARIS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 2309

INFO AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH PRIORITY

USMISSION USUN IMMEDIATE

S E C R E T PARIS 21748

FOR THE SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG, CB, UN

SUBJECT: KHMER UN CREDENTIALS

REFERENCE: A) STATE 192437 B) STATE 197515

BEGIN SUMMARY: IN MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER
SAUVAGNARGUES ON KHMER CREDENTIALS ISSUE I STRESSED
YOUR PERSONAL INTEREST WHILE MAKING PRESENTATION
REFTEL A. FOREIGN MINISTER INDICATED PERSONAL SYMPATHY
WITH YOUR CONCERN OVER PRECEDENT ASPECTS OF
SEATING INSURGENT REGIME. HE STATED GOF WOULD CONSIDER
MATTER "VERY CAREFULLY." END SUMMARY.

1. FOREIGN MINISTER SAUVAGNARGUES FITTED ME INTO HIS
BUSY SCHEDULE IMMEDIATELY BEFORE AN APPOINTMENT HE HAD
WITH PRESIDENT GISCARD ON SEPTEMBER 13. I STRESSED
YOUR PERSONAL INTEREST IN THE KHMER UN CREDENTIALS
ISSUE DRAWING ON PARAS 3 THROUGH 9 OF REFTEL A.

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 PARIS 21748 131838Z

2. FOREIGN MINISTER SAUVAGNARGUES SAID HE MUCH

APPRECIATED GETTING YOUR VIEWS ON THIS ISSUE. IT WAS ONE THAT HE HAD NOT YET HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS WITH PRESIDENT GISCARD. HE SAID HE PERSONALLY FELT IN GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH THE ADVISABILITY OF NOT ESTABLISHING A DANGEROUS PRECEDENT BY ADMITTING THE GRUNK TO UN MEMBERSHIP. HE THEN ASKED DIRECTOR FOR ASIA, FROMENT-MEURICE, FOR HIS VIEWS. THE LATTER ATTEMPTED TO INDICATE THERE WOULD NOT BE A PRECEDENT SINCE THE CHINESE SEAT HAD ALREADY CHANGED HANDS, BUT WAS COMPELLED TO AGREE THAT THE PRC WAS AN EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT AND THAT THE GRUNK WAS NOT.

3. FOREIGN MINISTER SAUVAGNARGUES THEN SAID THAT HE DID NOT FEEL THAT THERE WAS MUCH DIFFERENCE IN THE APPROACH OF THE U.S. AND FRANCE. FROMENT-MEURICE INTERJECTED THAT WHILE THE FOREIGN MINISTER HAD MADE IT CLEAR THAT FRANCE WOULD NOT VOTE FOR THE GRUNK THAT THERE WAS ANOTHER POSSIBILITY, NAMELY, THAT OF ABSTENTION. THIS REMARK PROMPTED THE FOREIGN MINISTER TO ELABORATE ON THE FRENCH DESIRE TO MAINTAIN GOOD RELATIONS WITH BOTH SIDES, BUT HE STRESSED THAT BY NO MEANS WAS FRANCE IN SUPPORT OF A MOVE TO DISPLACE LON NOL AT THE UN.

4. I THEN STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE POSITION FRANCE TOOK AND PARTICULARLY THE INFLUENCE THAT FRENCH REPRESENTATIVES COULD HAVE IN TALKING WITH OTHERS, ESPECIALLY FRANCOPHONE STATES, REGARDING THE ISSUE AND ADDED THAT A POLICY OF ABSTENTION IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD FAVOR THE SUPPORTERS OF THE GRUNK.

5. BECAUSE FROMENT-MEURICE WAS PRESENT I ALSO SPECIFICALLY CITED THE ARGUMENTS THE EMBASSY HAS HEARD FROM HIM TO THE EFFECT THAT THE SEATING OF THE GRUNK WOULD ACTUALLY WORK TOWARD A SOLUTION TO THE ISSUE SINCE IT WOULD MAKE BOTH THE GKR AND THE U.S. MORE PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE. I STATED FLATLY THAT SUCH REASONING WAS COMPLETELY ERRONEOUS. THE FOREIGN MINISTER STATED THAT THEY WOULD CONSIDER THE ISSUE "VERY CAREFULLY."

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 03 PARIS 21748 131838Z

6. THE FOREIGN MINISTER HAD A MEETING SCHEDULED WITH THE PRESIDENT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MY CALL.

IRWIN

SECRET

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptoning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: TERRITORIAL UNIFICATION, MEETING AGENDA, CONSULTANTS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 13 SEP 1974
Decapton Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decapton Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: kelleyw0
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974PARIS21748
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D740256-1110
From: PARIS
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19740948/aaaaboch.tel
Line Count: 110
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EA
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: A) STATE 192437 B) STATE 197515
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: kelleyw0
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 30 APR 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <30 APR 2002 by ifshinsr>; APPROVED <17 MAR 2003 by kelleyw0>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: KHMER UN CREDENTIALS
TAGS: PFOR, CB, GE, UN, EEC
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005